#### Asset #6

# Parent Involvement in Schooling

Parents need to be actively involved in helping young people succeed in school. They should talk with their kids about school, sometimes assist with schoolwork and attend school events. Below are ways you can become more involved:

Speak with each of your child's teachers in person at least once during the school year. Call to check in every other month.

Regularly ask your kids what they are learning in school. Offer to help with homework in appropriate ways. Example: It's OK to help a child plan a special paper and to be available for advice, suggestions or rides to the library. It isn't OK to write the paper.

When you receive a school calndar, enter important dates and events onto your family calendar. Make attending school events a family priority.

Join the parent-teacher organization

# Lehi Family Week – November 20-27 "Connections Count"

Lehi Family Week is an annual celebration whose purpose is to increase family unity and to strengthen family values in the community. Daily entertainment and events are geared toward fulfilling this purpose. This event is held the third week of November (Thanksgiving week). The theme is "Connections Count." Call Jill MacKenzie to volunteer at 472-4744. Below are the daily events for 2005:

# Sunday, Nov. 20 – "Connecting with our Standards"

Come join "The Standards" at Lehi High School at 7 p.m. These five brothers are incredible singing artists. They are one of America's hottest acts and some of the most talented professionals in the industry. They will be sharing with us their experiences and what makes them successful in working together as a family. Don't forget to pick up VIP cards to Panda Express and Chili's near the gym entrance.

# Monday, Nov. 21 – "Taking time and connecting with your family"

This day is set aside for families to get together and set family goals that will strengthen them and bring them closer together.

# Tuesday, Nov. 22 – "Families Connecting with the Community Through Local Businesses"

Join Lehi's great businesses in the following activities:

- Lehi Area chamber of Commerse Presents "U" Save bingo – Card included in Lehi Ledger
- Thanksgiving Point Movie Theaters – 1/2 Price Movie Tuesday (10 a.m. – 6 p.m.)
- Lehi's Literacy Contest At participating businesses (Albertsons, Kohlers, Country Loft, Corinas, OneManBand, Reams, Papa Murphys) enter our reading drawing.
   Children read 20 minutes; fill out registration forms at participating businesses; enter as many times as you wish. Contest begins: Nov. 1

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at your child's school. If you can't volunteer a lot of time, say so.

Volunteer to do what you can to help out at your child's school. Examples: Be a room parent, chaperone school funtions, serve on committees.

If you are concerned about circumstances or events at your child's school, talk to teachers and administrators.

Make it a point to stay actively involved for as long as your child is in school.

> To contribute to this newsletter, please contact Linda Turner, 768-1102, lturner@networld.com, or Kelly Wanlass, 766-2362, kelly@wanlass.com. Visit www.lehicity.com for an online copy of this newsletter.

#### LEHI ARTS COUNCIL

Jamie Smith of the Lehi Arts Council is sponsoring a competition for music composition, "Inaugural Lehi Musical Composition Competition." More information can be found at soundsofmusic.com.

Lehi Symphonic Winds are taking auditions now. Go to lehiarts.org for details.

### **Family Literacy Contest**

Lehi children who read at least 20 minutes a day over the next few weeks have a chance to win one of several prizes from local businesses. The Family Literacy Contest, part of the Lehi Family Week celebrations, runs from Nov. 1-18. During that time, for every 20 minutes read, children may enter the contest for a chance to win:

- A shopping spree from Kohlers
- Schwinn Sting Ray Bicycle from One Man Band
- Astronomical Telescope or Let's Play Croquet set from Country Loft
- Gigantic teddy bear from Albertsons
- \$50 gift certificate from Corinas Restaurant
- 2 free large 3-topping pizzas from Papa Murphy's Pizza
- \$20 gift certificate from Reams Western Outfitters

Question: What if I read for an hour one day?

**Answer:** Fill out 3 forms (one for every 20 minutes) and turn them into the business whose prize you want.

Question: If I read for 20 minutes every day from November 1 to November 18, how many times can I enter the contest?

**Answer:** if you read 20 minutes per day, you may enter 18 times.

Question: Do I have to put my entry form in the box of the same business each time?

Answer: No, you may put your entry at any of the businesses if you wish (one per 20 minutes)

Question: What if I run out of entry forms?

**Answer:** There will be some extra entry forms at the businesses, you may also make copies of the forms if you know you will be using more than those provided.

The drawings for all prizes will take place in the Lehi High School gym on Sunday, Nov. 20, during the 7 p.m. performance of the Standards. For more information, please call Linda Turner at 768-1102.

# Service Opportunities

#### Sub for Santa - names needed

Contact Jill MacKenzie at 472-4744 with the names, ages and sizes of those who would benefit by this project. A giving tree will be displayed at the Lehi Family Week Dance on Nov. 26.

#### **Subcontractors for Santa**

Contact Warren Henrie, 787-3881, with potential construction projects that you would like the Subcontractors for Santa to consider. Examples of good projects: an elderly person on a fixed income who can no longer use the bath tub but doesn't have a shower, a single mom whose roof leaks, etc.



#### Miracle for Marge a Reality

The Lehi Community Council wants to express sincere appreciation to all who helped with the Miracle for Marge Project. The following is a list of some of those who contributed: Gerber Construction, Best Buy Blinds, McCoy Flooring, Peterson Painting, Schoonover Plumbing, Hutches, Yates Chain Link Fences, Gunthers, Lehi 8th Ward Youth, Timpanogos Baptist Church, Ted Peck Lighting, Lloyd Andrews Electrical, One Day Windows, Channel 4 News, Lehi Free Press, Daily Herald, Standard Plumbing, Jones Paint and Glass, Brian Fox Concrete, Rich Black Cabinets, Ostler Piano Movers, Custom Form Counter Tops, Whitewater, The Alignment Guys, Verns, Steve Calton Trees, Anonymous Painters, Lehi 15th Ward, IHC, Lehi City, and many, many more.

#### **Upcoming Activities:**

Lehi West Stake's Spanish Unit will be hosting a Latino Festival on Nov. 12 from 2 p.m. - 8 p.m. at the Lehi Legacy Center. The event, designed to help unite the community (both Latino and others), will include food and dancing from many countries.

There are approximately 10,000 Hispanic residents in North Utah County. Latino refers more to Hispanics in the United States. Booths from the Literacy Center, etc., are needed to help share resources with the Hispanic community. Free tickets can be found at Kohler's on Main Street.

#### **To Lehi Churches:**

"Keep Your Calendars Open, Please" December 18 is the date of the "Interfaith Celebration of the Birth of Jesus." Groups from the Lehi Art Council will be performing. More details to follow.

#### Nov. 10 Free special event and resources for caregivers

Caregivers are invited to attend a revitalizing afternoon - free of charge - in celebration of National Family Caregivers Month at Utah Valley Regional Medical Center's Northwest Plaza on Thursday, Nov. 10, from 4 to 6 p.m. IHC's second annual caregivers symposium will feature an

#### Project Helps a "Heaps"

During the time that the Lehi Community Council was working on the special project to help Marge Goodwin, Donalee Eisenhart was spearheading a similar project at Lehi High School. Now, another group is helping the "Bubble Girl" in fixing the Heaps home to make it useable for their immune deficient child. Lehi really is a wonderful place to live.

uplifting keynote address on caregiving, a panel discussion on resources and support for caregivers, opportunity to connect with other caregivers in the community and more. Seating is limited. To register or for more information, call IHC University at 801-357-8735.

#### Nov. 15: Holiday Boutique to offer homemade gifts and treats

Visit the Holiday Boutique on Tues., Nov. 15, from 9:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. at American Fork Hospital and enjoy baked goods, wonderful gifts, homemade candies and hot scones presented by the hospital volunteers.

#### Lehi Family Week cont.

and ends Nov. 18. On our Sunday, Nov. 20, event, names will be drawn for various prizes donated by Lehi businesses.

Family Dinner Night at Local Restaurants – For each adult dinner purchase, a child eats free (IHOP, OneManBand, IceBerg)

### Wednesday, Nov. 23 - "Making Family Connections Count"

Today is a great day to take our grandparents or parents to lunch. Adopt a grandparent, write thank you cards to our grandparents, etc.

Join Lehi's famous Hutching's Museum for FREE ENTRANCE all day long. This museum is great part of Lehi's past.

### Thursday, Nov. 24 – "Connecting with Family Traditions"

Happy Thanksgiving – Tell one another how grateful

we are for God, Country and each other.

# Friday, Nov. 25 "Family Fun Connections"

Lehi Legacy Center – 1/2 price swim all day

The McKenzie Institute and Thanksgiving Point present "Couple Connecting, A Marriage Seminar." Enjoy a wonderful dinner and a 2-hour fun and education seminar, presented by Roger McKenzie, a popular speaker, life coach and published author. Registration is \$50 (for meal and handouts). Call Jill at 472-4744 to register. Deadline is Nov. 14.

### Saturday, Nov. 26 "Dancing into Great Family Connections"

Don't miss Lehi's Famous Family Dance, hosted by Neil Minor and Minor Music. Donate a can of food for entrance fee. There will be door prizes, refreshments and a "Sub for Santa" Christmas Tree. The dance starts at 7 p.m. at the Legacy Center.